

YES ON PROP. 1A

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California's high-speed rail network requires NO TAX INCREASE and is subject to strict fiscal controls and oversight.

It's simple and fair – Once completed, THE USERS OF THE SYSTEM PAY FOR THE SYSTEM. That's why taxpayer watchdog groups support Proposition 1A.

Electric High-Speed Trains will give Californians a *real* alternative to skyrocketing gasoline prices and dependence on foreign oil while reducing greenhouse gases ~~that cause global warming~~. Building high-speed rail is cheaper than expanding highways and airports to meet California's population growth.

Gridlock, hassles of flying and long-distance auto travel have become very onerous. Proposition 1A will save time. Travel intercity downtown to downtown throughout California on High-Speed Trains faster than automobile or air – AT A CHEAPER COST!

California's transportation system is out-of-date and deteriorating. We need options to poorly maintained roads, jammed runways and congested highways. Californians need what most of the civilized world has – high-speed rail. We've fallen so far behind other states and nations that our crumbling infrastructure threatens our economy.

A 220-mile-an-hour statewide rail system will give Californians a faster, environmentally friendly alternative for travel ~~and commerce~~.

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Proposition 1A will create 160,000 construction-related jobs and 450,000 permanent jobs.

Proposition 1A is endorsed by law enforcement experts, business leaders, environmentalists and Californians looking for safe, affordable and reliable transportation.

Signers of the ballot argument against Proposition 1A are habitual opponents of transportation improvements ~~in California~~. Their claims are wrong and their data simply made up.

Californians need to invest in ~~a~~ modern, effective ~~mode of~~ transportation.

Vote Yes on Proposition 1A.

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